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TO STORAGE DEVICE

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.312**

**MS Issue Fee**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted prior to  
payment of the Issue Fee under 37 CFR 1.312.

**Amendments to the Claims**

Remarks are included following the amendments.